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NEW GOODS!! FOR THE FALL TRADE

AT
Charles T. Stratton's,
ODESSA, DEL.

JUST received a splendid line of Fall Goods, and for sale at STRATTON'S STORE, in ODESSA.

Look at the Prices.

Appleton's "A" Muslin, the best unbleached in the market, full yard wide at 17 cents.

Waltham unbleached double fold full 11 yards wide at 17 $\frac{1}{2}$ cts. at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Augusta Muslin, very heavy, 1 yard wide, 16 cents, at C. T. STRATTON'S.

1 and 1 yard wide Muslin at 8, 10, 11, 12, 13 and 14 cents per yard, at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Large lot of good Prints, selling off at 11 cents per yard, at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Pacific Delaines and Armures, selling off at 20 and 22 cents per yard at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Poplins, Alpacas all colors, selling off at 15 cents per yard at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Heavy Kersey, made in Delaware, for 55 cents per yard, at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Mensons Sattinets, very good for 60 cts at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Good Jeans and Farmers Cos. for boys' wear at 20, 25, and 30 cents per yard, at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Hoop Skirts, fashionable and good, 23, 30 and 35 springs, for 88 cents at C. T. STRATTON'S.

Floor Oil Cloth, full yard wide, as good as in the market for 15 cents per yard, at C. T. STRATTON'S.

White Sugar, 16 cts. per lb.

Light Bro. " 14 " "

Coffee, 12 " "

Grain Coffee, 25 " "

Best do 28 " "

Port Rico Molasses, 80 " "

Fair " 50 " gal.

Prime Mesa Pork, 18 cents per lb. The best Sugar cured Hams, 25 cents for sale at C. T. STRATTON'S.

SPECIAL ATTENTION IS GIVEN TO READY MADE CLOTHING.

We have a large assortment; Full suit as low as six Dollars, all sizes.

BOOTS AND SHOES,

Very Cheap.

Guaranteed to be sold as low as by the city retailers.

HATS AND CAPS

At Jobbers prices, as we get them from the manufacturer. Call and examine and be convinced.

CHARLES T. STRATTON,

October 3-14. ODESSA, DEL.

NEW GOODS

AT

REDUCED PRICES.

NAUDAIN & BROTHER,

are opening a fresh stock of

FALL AND WINTER GOODS.

Being purchased since the fall in many kinds of the same. Being bought for Cash, and from first hands, principally—hence we avoid the second profit of the jobber and intend giving the advantage to our liberal friends.

Our stock consists of Merinoes, blue, cold'd. Alpacas, Wool Poplins, Wool ac. Linens, Good assortment of Prints, Cotton and Wool Flannels, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18 and 19. Men's and Women's Bathrobes, Shirts, Shawls and Hoodas, Ladies' Vests, Gent's Knit Shirts and Drawers, White and Cold'd. Blankets,

HATS AND CAPS, DRUGGETS,

CARPET AND OIL CLOTHS,

PAINTED WINDOW SHADES,

GLOVES, HOSIERIES, AND

FANCY GOODS.

In fact, anything kept in a first class country store.

We call particular attention to our fine stock of Over Coatings, Cloths & Cassimères,

which we make a Specialty.

Received from the Manufacturers, Ladies' Mugs, and Children's Shoes. Gents' sewed and pegged, double upper and sole, Calf Boots, Men's heavy, winter Boys' & Shoes, that we have made of the best material; and guaranteed satisfaction.

MACKEREL, SHAD, AND HERRING

Always on Hand.

Liberal discount for cash, and show Goods with pleasure.

NAUDAIN & BRO.

Oct. 10-14 Middletown.

Middletown Furniture Warehouses.

JOSEPH H. ENOS

KEEPS constantly on hand an assortment of FURNITURE suitable to the market, consisting of

COTTAGE SUITS,

BEDSTEADS, CHAIRS, WASHSTANDS,

Parlor and Dining Room Furniture &c.

ALSO

FURNISHING UNDERTAKER.

COFFINS of all kinds and styles; Metallic Cases; Patent Burial Cases to order. Jan. 4-15

Cedar Shingles, Siding, and Rails,

FOR SALE—Cedar Shingles, Siding and Rails

of prime quality, for sale, near Taylor's Bridge, Appoquinimink Hundred, New Castle County, Del. Apply to

Aug. 1-30. ROBERT JOHNSON.

Select Poetry.

GOING AND COMING.

The pleasant summer months, alas! have fled, And mellow Autumn, with her fruits, is here, Wearing the glist'ne decadence of the year;

Which marks the slow decadence of the year; And through the leaves the sad winds softly moan for the sweet summer which, alas! has flown.

No more I hear the cheery mowers sing Down in the meadow where the grass grew tall, No more I hear their sythe-blades blithely ring: A tender purple mist hangs over all, Veiling the valley and each wooded steep. Where neds the golden need as if in sleep.

The restles bluebird through the wood flies by, She utters a note through all the day, The blackbird's liquid voice has turned to dry— Alas! alas! they soon will pass away— And these bright tints which mark the closing year are many will wither and gray serp.

Here goin on them, where I sit apart, These leaves of gold, these berries of rich red, I seem to see the ghost of War go by.

Leaving the trace of his bleeding tread In these lone paths which skirt the solemn wood Where off I wander wrap in silent mood.

And through the shadowy ways of the Past With his blinding robes and roll away The echoes of the battle's deafening blit;

And like the coming of the dawn of day, And like the hope which perish and are known no more And down these walks the whirling leaf will go On chilly winds that through December blow.

Already now on yonder mountain height Sounds Winter's clairon wailing through the trees,

Whose toppling boughs seal the polar seas; And streaming far across the lonely night Shine the Aurora's quivering beams of light.

But well I know these Autumn days must pass, Like the bright Sun which has gone before; These dimpled glories all will be gone before;

Like hopes which perish and are known no more And down these walks the whirling leaf will go On chilly winds that through December blow.

And where shall I leave you, my bonnie bride?"

"Oh, I will make a brief visit home in the meantime. It cuts our wedding tour short, but then you know we have a lifetime to finish our honey-moon in."

So the brief Niagara sojourn came to an end, and Mrs. Remington for the season was a widowed bride.

"Evelyn! My wife?"

Mr. Remington stared at his wife, Mrs. Remington at her husband.

"He's mad," whispered the old man,

"Charles," he added aloud, "you are mistaken, this is Marian Chauncey, our adopted daughter."

"No sir, it is not," faltered the young lady in question, "I am Evelyn, your son's wife."

I have stolen into your hearts on false pretences—but I did so long for your love."

And when you sent for Marian, who is one of my dearest school friends, I persuaded her to remain at home, and allowed me to personate her just a few weeks.

Father, mother, you will not turn me out of your affections now!"

"And you knew nothing of this!" demanded old Mr. Remington, of his son.

"Not a word; it is Evelyn's own idea."

And Evelyn, half laughing, half crying, stole into her mother-in-law's extended arms.

"It don't seem possible that she is the Fifth avenue girl," said the old gentleman.

"Charles," he added aloud, "you are mistaken, this is Marian Chauncey, our adopted daughter."

"Oh Abel!" quoth the soft-heared old lady, at the end of two days, "why didn't Charles wait until he had seen Marian Chauncey?" Is she not sweet—don't I seem like a gleam of sunshine in the old house when she is tripping around?"

"She is very pretty," said Mr. Remington.

"And then," pursued the old lady, she's so handy. She knows just where everything is kept, and how to do everything, and she does my caps exquisitely, and you should have seen how skillfully she drove me to meeting yesterday. Oh, Abel, if Providence had only seen fit to send us a daughter-in-law like dear little Marian Abel!"

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"But you know, my dear," suggested the old gentleman, "we shouldn't have given it to him if he had waited half a century."

"Certainly we should not," said Mrs. Remington, emphatically. "To think of our only child treating us so cavalierly, Abel, the only one we have got in the world."

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The Meteoric Display.

The telegraph brings us intelligence, from all points, of the magnificent meteoric display which occurred on the night of the 13th inst. The sublime spectacle was witnessed in all parts of this country and in England. Observations were made at Oxford University, England; at Washington, D. C.; at Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; at Hartford, Connecticut; in the city of New York; in Richmond, at Fortress Monroe, in New Jersey; at Charleston, South Carolina; in New Orleans, and in San Francisco. Everywhere much the same aspect was presented by these phenomena of the heavens, which transcended, on this occasion, all exhibitions of the kind which have been observed since the very remarkable one in 1832.

It was our good fortune to witness that of Saturday morning last. We awoke at 2:45, A. M., and gazed upon the scene for a few minutes from our chamber window. But, desiring to have a better view of the extraordinary spectacle, we wrapped up warmly in an overcoat and sallied out into the frosty air. The morning was exceedingly favorable for the observation. A perfect calm prevailed, and not a cloud obstructed the view. The hoar frost whitened the ground and glittered in the starlight from every object around us. We

proceeded down the railroad, beyond the town, so that the houses might not obstruct our vision. We cannot analyze our feelings as we stood there, alone, in the quiet and hush of those still hours, gazing upon the sublime and beautiful spectacle before us. The "front of heaven was full of fiery shapes," and we beheld them with awe, admiration and wonder.

We did not attempt to count them, for their number was too great, and they came in such rapid succession that it was altogether impracticable. They differed in magnitude, from the faintest and most evanescent coruscation of light, to the blazing meteor, which shot athwart the heavens emitting a vari-colored light above the brightness of the largest rockets, and leaving behind a nebulous train which lasted from fifteen to twenty minutes, curling and wreathing itself into many fantastic shapes before it finally faded from the vision. At one time we saw three of those stupendous meteors darting across the heavens at the same instant, emitting light sufficient to read the smallest print. At another time we saw very large one, double-headed, with two nuclei, which exhibited red, blue, and purple light; and the nebula which remained, was also double-headed, and took the form of the letter U. This peculiar appearance lasted for twenty minutes. Its position was a few degrees above the western horizon, just below the Pleiades. Several of these nebulous trains were serpentine, and one took the form of the letter A. This change of shape in the trains was probably owing to currents in the upper air. At one time a pale meteor made its appearance, apparently at an immense height, near the zenith, and floated slowly down like a feather, but expired at a much greater altitude than the rest. Sometimes there would be an intermission of a minute or two, when no one could be seen, and then they would suddenly burst forth, simultaneously, from all points of the compass. Ever and anon there came up from the horizon's utmost verge flashes from passing meteors below the line of vision, which resembled the gleam of lightning from some far-off thunder-cloud. The general course of the meteors was from south-east to north-west. We counted four which took a due north direction, and several took a north-easterly course, while only one went towards the south. Nearly all the larger meteors exhibited variegated colors. This strange and striking display presented a scene, the *tout ensemble* of which was grand and magnificent beyond description. These pyrotechnics of the skies cast far into the shade the mimic efforts of man, compared with which his greatest and most brilliant exhibitions "pale their ineffectual fires." We would not have missed the sight for any reasonable consideration, and shall probably never look upon its like again, though we could wish to view once more.

"These meteors, prodigies, and signs, Presages and tongues of heaven."

For upwards of two hours we gazed upon the sublime and wildering scene, and drank deeply of its inspiration. We thought of the sentiment of Beattie, and of Thomson:

"Renounce that impious self-esteem, That aims to trace the secret of the skies, For thou art but of dust."

"This is thy work Almighty Providence! Whose power, beyond the reach of human thought, Revolves the spheres of empire; by these sink Deep is the desolating might of thy disposure, Or else majestic o'er a wondering world."

"THE DEMOCRATIC ALMANAC" published annually by Van Evrie, Horton & Co. New York, will be issued, for the coming year, 1869, about the 1st of January. It will contain the official returns of all the States and a large amount of political information. Single copies by mail 20 cents. One hundred copies by express \$12.

No indecent medical advertisements are inserted in either the *Commercial* or *Delaware Tribune*. In this we stand alone in New Castle county.

No, no, Messieurs of the *Commercial*, not quite alone. We will admit nothing of the kind into our columns. There is filth and obscenity enough in the world, without having it perpetually thrust under the eyes of the public in our newspapers. We have rejected enough of this sort of advertising to have filled all our columns. Only week before last, we rejected one for which we were offered forty dollars. We see these publications in nearly all our exchanges, but we will not publish them. We prefer to fill the space they would occupy with interesting and instructive reading matter. We think there is something due to subscribers, as well as advertisers, and we do not feel disposed to serve one to the detriment of the other. Our paper goes into the hands of youth, beauty and innocence, whose sense of modesty and propriety will never be shocked by the publication of such indecency in these columns. We think the newspaper publisher is as responsible for the moral tone of his paper, as he is for his own individual conduct. Indeed, he ought to be more so; for while his personal conduct is brought to the observation of a very limited circle of people, his paper is read by thousands, and the virus of its evil influence, where it is evil, is spread far and wide in society. Would that there were a more general appreciation of their responsibilities by newspaper publishers. Society would be benefited by it.

Not only indecent medical advertisements are rejected from these columns, but all publications intended to humbug the public, and thus put money in the purse of artful and designing knaves. There are scores and hundreds of such, who are willing to pay the press liberally for their advertisements, because they find their profit in it. These publications are sent out chiefly through city advertising agencies, and we have refused to publish whole columns of them within the last few months. There is a certain degree of confidence awarded by the unwary and inexperienced to every thing they see published in the columns of their favorite newspaper, hence they are the more easily imposed upon by these designing knaves, and indirectly robbed of their money. For instance, we turn to one of our neighboring exchanges, and clip the following from its advertising columns:

"WONDERFUL—How ether sex may instantly gain the undying love of any person they choose. The single, married, the married happy, and wise in time. Simple, harmless and sure. Also, Journal of love, Secret of Success, How to Get Rich, etc. All mailed free for 20 cents. 100,000 sold."

These and similar humbugs, much more specious, abound in all the papers, but we will not publish them at any price, because it would be an imposition upon our readers.

The National Intelligencer, of Monday, devotes a two column panegyric to Thaddeus Stevens! What next? We think the Republicans have cause to fear that the Democrats will turn them out of house and home, and lay claim, not only to all their property, but to all their public men. A certain part of them have already laid claim to Chase and Grant, and are now about to lay hands upon the delinquent Stevens! We have come to the conclusion that *drastic cathartic* is greatly needed for the future health of the Democratic party. It needs a powerful purging, undoubtedly. We want no better evidence than has recently been afforded that "they are not all Israel who are of Israel."

The Cecil Whig made its appearance again, on Saturday last, after but one week's suspension on account of the fire. The editor has evinced great energy and industry in refitting his office, and resuming the publication of his paper. He thinks the fire was the work of an incendiary; but we should think him wrong in that conclusion. A more probable supposition is, that there were matches about the establishment, which were probably ignited by mice. We narrowly escaped being burnt out in that way, once, ourselves.

Now for Ir.—On the first day of the next session, Congressman Kelley, of Pennsylvania, will introduce a constitutional amendment providing for universal suffrage in all the States.

Republicans who are opposed to negro suffrage, and denied during the campaign that their party favored it, will now be able to see what their party is driving at.

The Cambridge Democrat, says the meteoric display, as witnessed in that place, is described as grand.

"THE CASE OF MR. DAVIS."—Many inquiries are made as to whether Mr. Davis will have to appear before the United States Circuit Court on the fourth Monday of this month. Such is the condition of his recognition, but it is by no means certain that he will personally appear. Mr. O'Connor and Mr. Evans, who represent respectively the accused and the Government, deem his personal appearance necessary, it is agreed that he shall assist Dr. Patton in the exercises.

We learn from the Georgetown Journal that the colored man, who was severely beaten in that town, last week, did not die as has been stated, but is likely to recover. His name is John Hurley.

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LOCAL AFFAIRS.

IMPROVEMENT IN ROAD MENDING.—At a time when the sad condition of the roads and the general failure to have them properly repaired is eliciting much comment, we may note with satisfaction any arrangement that promises the slightest benefit. As such we recognize with pleasure an improvement suggested by E. W. Lockwood, Esq. of Fredericksburg, for the venting of streams across the road without resource to the limb-breaking old trunks and wooden bridges which are such an annoyance to the travellers and a source of such constant expense to the county authorities. Mr. L. has put in at three different places between Cecilton and Warwick, ter cotta pipes twelve inches in diameter, and sufficiently below the bed of the road to secure them against danger of breaking by the weight of the heaviest teams. He guarantees them against accident or failure for ten years. The first cost is very little above the cost of a wooden trunk, and the advantages are many. By their use, the invariable jolt in going over the bridge is avoided, and the road made as smooth though no water passage was below it. Then it can need no annual repairs, and its durability will distance comparison. From our observation of these drains, we are disposed to endorse them, and earnestly suggest to the County Commissioners that a great many low places in roads now so noisome to travellers may be in a great measure remedied by the introduction of these terra cotta pipes.—*Cecil Democrat.*

VIOLENT ASSAULT.—Mr. Samuel Dickerson, who resides on Samuel Thompson's farm, near Pivot Bridge, Cecil county, Md. was violently assaulted and beaten on Saturday night last, by a negro man, who knocked him down with a stick, and beat him over the head severely. Mr. Dickerson was going home from Mr. Charles A. Bryan's store, and as he approached his own gate he met the negro man, with whom he interchanged a word or two about the frostiness of the weather. Instantly the negro dealt him a severe blow across the small of the back, which caused him to fall upon his knees, when the negro followed up his blows over the head and face of Mr. Dickerson, in quick succession. The latter was nearly insensible, but his cries of "murder," caused his wife to rush out of the house with a light in her hand, when the negro, thinking he would be identified, probably, took to his heels, but left his club and a mitten lying upon the ground, by which it was hoped he could be identified. A colored man named James Sadler, living on the farm of Mr. John Jones, in this county, was arrested on Sunday evening, but as Mr. D. could not identify him he was discharged.

WILD GESE.—On Tuesday afternoon, 10th inst. as we were crossing the Susquehanna river in the afternoon train for Philadelphia, a flock of wild geese, fifteen or twenty in number, were flying along close to the bridge, just above the surface of the water, crossing the river towards Havre de Grace. They were flying very slow, and seemed weary and anxious to alight. We thought that Havre de Grace was a strange place for weary wild-fowl to pause for rest, as there are some hundred expert marksmen resident in that town, who make their living by gunning and fishing.—principally by duck shooting in the fall of the year, and by the shad and herring fisheries in the Spring. Hardly had these reflections passed through our mind, when, bang, bang, went the fowling pieces. We heard the reports, but could not see what number of these fine water fowl were bagged by the gunners. This is the harvest of the Havre de Gracians, who about this time are luxuriating upon canvas-backs, red-heads, black-heads, geese, swan, teal, brant, mallards, &c. They ship these wild-fowl, by the barrel, to the New York market, and make their investment in powder and shot a paying enterprise.

RUNAWAY AND ACCIDENT.—Messrs. Hamilton Morton and Benjamin J. Green, living near Warwick, met with a serious accident on Tuesday last, in which the latter was considerably injured, and from which the former made a narrow escape. They were seated in a buggy, driving a pair of spirited horses to Elkton, when as they approached Back Creek Mills, the horses took flight, became unmanageable, wheeled and upset the buggy, and dashed off at a furious rate through the adjacent woods. Both gentlemen were thrown out, and the buggy (a new one) was torn to pieces. Mr. Morton was considerably bruised, and Mr. Green sustained fracture of the collar bone and other injuries. The horses became entangled in the woods, and were caught and sent home. The gentlemen borrowed a horse and carriage of C. C. Carpenter, of Back Creek, and came to Elkton, where Dr. Ellis administered professional aid.—*Cecil Democrat.*

We presume it is not mistaking the case to say that the object of erecting our corporation lamps, was to give light in our streets after night-fall. If this be so, it is that they are extinguished sometimes as early as half-past 8 o'clock, which was the case on Sunday night last, before our citizens had got home from church. We hope the Commissioners will give their lamp-lighter a hint not to be in quite so much of a hurry to "douse his lamps."

Gov. Saulsbury has issued his proclamation for the observance of Thanksgiving day, which occurs on Thursday next, the 26th inst. Divine service will be held in the Presbyterian Church of this town, at 10:30 A. M. The different congregations have been invited to unite on the occasion. Rev. Dr. McCabe, of St. Ann's, and Rev. H. Colclaser, of the M. E. Church, will assist Dr. Patton in the exercises.

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The Middletown Hall.

MR. EDITOR:—With most commendable zeal and perseverance, the Directors of the Middletown Hall Company are pushing forward to completion their handsome and substantial edifice, and for the beautiful architectural style, the substantial manner of its erection, and its peculiar adaptation to what all persons must acknowledge to be a public necessity, they are entitled most fully to the unfeigned gratitude of every citizen who claims to have the most meagre particle of town pride. In the erection of this Hall every man woman and child of Middletown and vicinity are interested, personally; and it becomes all who are able, to become so, financially. Such an improvement bespeaks to the traveler the presence here of an energetic people, and induces them to halt and inspect the place with a view of settling among us.

Such an improvement has no narrow, selfish feeling about it, but upon every head and lintel seems written "*Pro Bono Publico.*"

Then let our able men nobly go forward and take the remaining unsold shares of stock (which we are happy to say are not very heavy) and such of the stockholders as have not met their installments, should remember the very great depression in all branches of trade, and the use of their money will uphold the hands of the President and Board and enable them to purchase for cash, materials at extremely low figures; besides, it will relieve them of much anxiety in financing the matter through.

But, Mr. Editor, we congratulate the community upon the fact that the erection of the Town Hall edifice is no longer a matter of speculation. It is a fact, and we point them to that beautiful edifice (beautiful even in its unfinished state) as it stands there in its magnificent proportions, the pride of your town.

It now presents a busy scene, and the propitioseness of the Gods reminds one of the erection of the ancient Temple, when "it rained not in the day time that the craftsmen are not hindered in their work." Mr. E. Gould, of Wilmington, is there with a large force of carpenters, and the sound of tools of iron is plainly to be heard as he pushes his part of the work to completion. The entire building is to be lighted with Gas, and Messrs. Gawthrop & Bro. of the same city, are about finishing the putting in of the requisite gas-pipe throughout the Hall. Messrs. Green and Tyson are there, with a corps of craftsmen each with trowel spreading the plaster; and Mr. Maken, with his artistic brush, applies with untiring hands the colors that embellish and preserve. The roof is of heavy galvanized iron, and was placed upon the building by our townsmen, Mr. S. W. Roberts. Every attention has been paid to the ventilation of every room in the Hall, as well as heating the same. To Messrs. Reynolds & Son, of Philadelphia, has been awarded the contract for placing two of their justly celebrated "Dog House" Heaters in the basement, which will comfortably warm the entire structure. The main Hall will be elegantly fitted up with banquet-room, ladies and gentlemen's dressing rooms, and ticket office adjoining. Proper attention has been given to the laws of acoustics, and we predict that not a better hall can be found upon the peninsula for speaking or for vocal music. Being lighted with gas, it will be a most desirable room for panoramas or exhibitions of any kind, while we doubt not our young friends will eagerly seek it for tripping on the "light fantastic toe."

The appointment of James Nicholson, Esq. Recorder for New Castle county, seems to give general satisfaction. Mr. Nicholson is a very courteous gentleman with whom it will be a pleasure to hold official intercourse.

The *Sussex Journal* says that the corn crop in portions of that county is short half the usual yield.

Vote of Delaware on the Representative in Congress.

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In great variety, such as

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JOSEPH VICKERS,

Agent & Atty for Thos. A. Meredith.

Chestertown, Nov. 7, 1868—ts.

REGISTER'S NOTICE.

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NEW CASTLE COUNTY, September 10, 1868.

Upon the application of Rachel Mifflin, Administratrix of Jacob B. Mifflin, late of Saint Georges Hundred, in said County, deceased; it is ordered and directed by the Register that the Administratrix be granted a general release of the grant of Letters of Administration upon the estate of the deceased, with the date of granting thereof, by causing advertisements to be posted within forty days from the date of such Letters, in six of the most public places of the County of New Castle, requiring all persons having demands against the Estate, to present the same or abide by an Act of Assembly, and to make and publish a general release of the same to be made with the same period in the DELAWARE GAZETTE, a newspaper published in Wilmington, and the MIDDLETONS, to be transcribed thereon two months.

Given under the hand and Seal of the Register, at the Office of the Register aforesaid, at New Castle, in New Castle County aforesaid, the day and year above written.

RACHEL MIFFLIN,

Administratrix.

Sept. 26-27

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Valuable Real Estate.

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THE Undersigned, an Attorney for Edmund Lynch Hewett, Esq., will sell at Public Sale, at Church Hill, to the highest bidder, on

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All that Farm or Plantation,

Containing 150 Acres.

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Select Poetry.

INDIAN SUMMER.

There is a time, just when the frost
Has left the earth, and all the world is gay,
When Autumn, in a reverent way,
When Summer comes, in musing mind,
To gaze once more on hill and dell,
To mark how many sheaves they bind,
And see if all are ripend well.

With hush'd breath she whispers low,
The dying flowers look up and give
Their sweet incense, ere they go;
For her who made their beauties live.
She enters 'neath the woodland's shade;
Her zephyrs lift the lingering leaf,
And bear it gently where it laid.

The loved and lost ones of its grief.

At last, old Autumn, rising, takes
Again his sceptre and his throne;
With boisterous hands the tree he shakes,
Intent on gathering all his own.
Sweet Summer, sighing, flies the plain,
And waiting Winter, gaunt and grim,
Sees miser Autumn hoard his grain,
And smiles to think it's all for him.

Things Queer and Curious.

Popping into the Wrong Bed.

Last week an interesting event occurred at one of the hotels in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. A young lady from a neighboring town went to the city for the purpose of meeting her betrothed, getting married, and going to the West to settle there. She was accompanied by her brother, who was going to act as groomsman, and her lover's sister. The intended husband not arriving in time, the young ladies arranged that they should occupy the same bed in a room adjoining that of the bride's brother. Having traveled all the night before, the bride and her brother, being worn out, retired at an early hour, with instructions to their companion, whom they left reading in the ladies' parlor, not to make a noise when she came to bed, as they did not want to be awakened out of their sleep. The young lady getting interested in her book sat up to a late hour. At last, getting drowsy, she slipped off as noiselessly as possible to her room and quietly retired as she supposed to the bed occupied by her intended sister-in-law, and nestling close up alongside under the blankets, was soon sound asleep. Happening to waken before her companion, she put her arms around, as she supposed, the bride's neck, commenced kissing her and calling her sweet sister and other endearing names peculiar to the softer sex. In a moment her kisses were paid back with interest, and she found two stalwart arms encircling her fair form, and instead of the bride's she was in the bride's brother's arms. She had mistaken the room. Here was a dilemma, and not knowing how to explain, she commenced sobbing as if her heart would break, which awakened the bride, who came to the rescue. The young man, however, refused to let her go, saying that fortunate had given him a prize and he was determined not to lose it, and on one condition only would he release the young lady from his grasp, and that was that she should put her arms around his neck and kiss him, and to promise to become his wife at the same time his sister became the wife of her brother. He said that he had long loved her and intended to ask her that day for her hand, and thanks to an accident, he had now a much better opportunity than he could ever hope for again. The young lady, seeing no alternative, finally surrendered, threw her arms around the man's neck, and sealed the bargain with a kiss, when the young man covered up his head, and she retired to her sister's room a promised bride. She enjoined secrecy upon the brother and sister, but the thing was too good to keep. Immediately after they got dressed the groom arrived, and after getting breakfast, dispatched the landlord for a minister, who soon came and tied the indissoluble knot.

As soon as the minister got through, the groomsman and bridesmaid astonished the company by taking the places of their brother and sister, and requested the minister to repeat the performance, which he did in less time than it takes to tell it. What's the meaning of all this? asked the groom No. 1, who seemed to be agreeably surprised by the scene just enacted. His new made wife, now smiling all over, related to the whole company the incidents of the past night. Groom No. 2 said it was all right; he did not care how many stories sister told; that he was the happiest man alive, and if his wife had shed tears that morning, they were the last she should shed, unless tears of joy, if he could prevent it; and she looked up at her husband, and said she would never cry again, when he put his arms around her, for now he was her own darling husband. The afternoon train, instead of one, carried two happy couples to homes in the West.

TESTIMONIALS.

Hon. Geo. W. Woodward,
Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Pa. writes:

Philadelphia, March 16, 1867.
"I find Hoofland's German Bitters is a good tonic, useful in the diseases of the digestive organs, and of great benefit in cases of debility, and want of nervous action in the system. Yours, truly," GEO. W. WOODWARD."

Hon. James Thompson,
Judge of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania.
Philadelphia, April 1866.
I consider "Hoofland's German Bitters" a valuable medicine in case of attacks of Indigestion or Dyspepsia. I can certify this from my experience of it. Yours, with respect,
JAMES THOMPSON.

From Rev. J. H. Kennard, D. D.

Pastor of the Tenth Baptist Church, Philadelphia.

Dr. Jackson—Dear Sir: I have been frequently requested to connect my name with recommendations of different kinds of medicines, but regarding the practice as out of my approach, I have in all cases declined; but with a clear sense of the public interest, and particularly in my own family, of the Dr. Hoofland's German Bitters, I do not feel embarrassed from my usual course, to express my full conviction that, for general debility of the system, and especially for Liver Complaint, it is a safe and valuable preparation. In some cases it may fail; but usually, I doubt not, it will be very beneficial to those who suffer from the above causes.

Yours, very respectfully,
J. H. KENNARD,
Eighth, below Coates St.

From Rev. E. D. Fendall,
Assistant Editor, Christian Chronicle, Phila.

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Yours, truly,
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